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P 191206Z MAY 76

FM AMEMBASSY CARACAS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 3241

UNCLAS SECTION 1 OF 3 CARACAS 5627

FOR: SCA, SCS, PPT, ARA, VO

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJ: CONSULAR PACKAGE-FY-1978

REF: STATE 096907

1. THERE FOLLOWS IN RESPONSE TO THE DEPARTMENT'S REFTEL THE  
EMBASSY'S CONSULAR PACKAGE FOR FY-1978. THE DATA FOR FY-1975  
REPRESENT ACTUAL FIGURES FOR THE YEAR.

### 2. SCHEDULE I - IMMIGRANT VISAS

	FY-1975	FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978
	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE
10/1/74-	10/1/75-	10/1/76-	10/1/77-	
9/30/75	9/30/76	9/30/77	9/30/78	

(1) IV'S ISSUED	143	750	750	750
(2) IV'S REFUSED	421	425	425	425
(3)TOTAL IV CASES	1164	1175	1175	1175

MAN-HRS. WORKED

AMERICAN

(4) FULL-TIME PERM.	980	1205	1250	1250
(4) TEMP. DETAIL	--	---	---	---
(6) PIT	---	---	---	---
(7) SUBTOTAL	980	1205	1250	1250

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(8) FULL-TIME PERM.	2801	2890	3000	3000
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(9) TEM.DETAIL --- --- --- ---  
 (10) PIT --- --- --- ---  
 (11) SUBTOTAL 2801 2890 3000 3000  
 (12) TOTAL IV MAN-HRS.  
 3781 4095 4250 4250

## OF TOTAL IV CASES REQUIRING:

(18) INTERPRETER: 034:3,5  
 (19) PARAKEET OR BOULDER: 5PERCENT  
 (20) 3RD COUNTRY CHECK: 35 PERCENT

## 3. SCHEDULE II-NONIMMIGRANT VISAS

(21) NIV'S ISSUED  
 53371 86700 97000 106000  
 (22) NIV'S REFUSED 8104 9500 10500 11500  
 (23) TOTAL NIV CASES  
 72712 90300 101100 120000

## MAN-HRS.UTILIZED

## AMERICAN:

(24)FULL TIME PERM. 7150 7800 8750 8750  
 (25) TEMPORARY DETAIL--- --- --- ---  
 (26) PIT 905 1860 1560 1560  
 (27)SUB-TOTAL AMERICAN  
 MAN-HOURS 8055 9660 10310 10310

## LOCAL:

(28) FULL TIME PERM. 8700 9750 11330 11330  
 (29)TEMPORARY DETAIL --- --- --- ---  
 (30) PIT --- --- --- ---  
 (31) SUB-TOTAL LOCAL  
 MAN-HOURS 8700 9750 11330 11330  
 (32) TOTAL NIV MAN-  
 HOURS 16755 19410 21640 21640

(37) NIV FEES  
 COLLECTED \$35,450.75

(38) BORDER C. CARDS  
 FY-75 0

(39) CREW LIST VISAS  
 FY-75 148 150 150 150

(40) NAMES ON CREW  
 LIST VISAS FY-75 6590 7000 7000 7000

## OF TOTAL NIV CASES

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## REQUIRING:

(41) INTERVIEW 40PER. 40PER. 40PER. 40PERCENT  
 (42) USE OF INTERPRETER  
 0 0 0 0  
 (43) PARAKEET OR  
 BOULDER 3/4PER. 1/4PER. 1/4PER. 1/4PERCENT  
 (44) THIRD COUNTRY CHECK  
 5PERCENT 6PERCENT 6PERCENT 6PERCENT

4. SCHEDULE III-SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES

(46) AM. CIT. DEATHS

35 35 35 35

(47) ESTATE/PROP. CLAIMS

12 20 25 25

(48) NOTARIALS 25090 22000 22000 22000

(49) WELFARE/WHEREABOUTS

50 50 &55 955

(50) ARRESTS 15 15 15 10

(51) SEAMEN&SHIPPING

29 10 10 10

(52) OTHER AGENCY SVCS.

7385 7500 8000 8500

(53)TOTAL SCS/CASES 32616 29630 30140 30635

MAN-HOURS UTILIZED

AMERICAN:

(54)FULL TIME PERM. 1305 2260 2260 2260

(55) TEMP. DETAIL 875 740 740 740

(56) PIT --- --- --- ---

(57) SUB-TOTAL 2180 3000 3000 3000

LOCAL:

(58) FULL TIME PERM. 4171 5000 4200 4200

(59) TEMPORARY DETAIL --- --- --- ---

(60) PIT --- --- --- ---

(61) SUB-TOTAL 4171 5000 4200 4200

(62) TOTAL SCS

MAN-HOURS 6351 8000 7200 7200

(68) TREASURY CHECKS

FY-75 7271

5. SCHEDULE IV-CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT SERVICES

(69) PPT APPS.

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EXECUTED 1847 1850 1850 1850

(70) PPT APPS.

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 3242

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## (71) FEE PASSPORTS

ISSUED 1847 1850 1850 1850

## (72) NO-FEE PASSPORTS

ISSUED 3 0 0 0

## (73) PASSPORTS AMENDED

OR EXTENDED 265 275 280 280

## (74) NEW REGISTRATION

APPLICATIONS 148 160 160 170

## (75) REPORTS OF BIRTH

178 180 190 180

## (76) WITNESS TO MARRIAGE

3 3 5 5

## (77) WAIVER OF PASSPORTS

0 0 0 0

(78) SUB-TOTAL PPT CASES 429 4318 4335 4345

## (79) IDENTITY CARDS

ISSUED 02 0 0 0

(8) TOTAL PPT CASES 2491 4320 4335 4345

## MAN-HOURS UTILIZED

## AMERICAN:

(81) FULL-TIME PERM. 1239 1800 1800 1800

(82) TEMP. DETAIL 97 100 100 100

(83) PIT -- --- --- ---

## (84) SUB-TOTAL

AMERICAN 1336 1900 1900 1900

## LOCAL:

(85) FULL-TIME PERM. 4341 4400 4400 4400

(86) TEMP. DETAIL --- --- --- ---

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(87) PIT --- --- --- ---

(88) SUB-TOTAL LOCAL 4341 4400 4400 4400

(89) TOTAL MAN-HOURS 5677 6300 6300 6300

## (95) AMERICANS

REGISTERED (3/31/76) 12376

AMERICAN CITIZEN RESIDENT

(96) NON-OFFICIAL 20550

## 6. SCHEDULE V-CONDITIONS AND JUSTIFICATIONS

BUREAU: ARA

COUNTRY AND POST: VENEZUELA, CARACAS

FY-1975

HOURS GAINED: AMERICAN LOCAL

OVERTIME: 25 50

HOURS LOST: 680 0

DETAILS OUT:

(CONSUL TO B.A. 3 WEEKS; VICE CONSUL TO

PANAMA 3 MONTHS)

STAFFING GAPS: 0 0

PROLONGED LEAVE: 500

## 7. SCHEDULE IV-POSITIONS

BUREAU: ARA

COUNTRY AND POST: VENEZUELA, CARACAS

AMERICANS: VISAS SCS PPT GENERAL TOTAL

(105) AUTHORIZED

6/30/75 6 0 1 1 8

(106) AUTHORIZED

3/31/76 6-1/2 1/2 1 1 9

(107) FILLED 3/31/76

6 0 1 1 8

INCREASE/DECREASE: ONE FSO-7 POSITION AUTHORIZED 2/23/76 NOT YET FILLED.

(108) REQUIRED FY-1977: 0

(109) REQUIRED FY1978: 0

LOCALS: VISAS SCS PPT GENERAL TOTAL

(105) AUTHORIZED 6/30/75

8 2 3 0 13

(106) AUTHORIZED 3/31/76

8-1/2 2-1/2 3 0 14

(107) FILLED 3/31/76

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7 2 3 0 12

INCREASE/DECREASE: 1 NEW FLS POSITION AUTHORIZED 2/23/76 NOT YET FILLED.

(108) REQUIRED FY-1977: 1 MORE FLS AS REQUESTED IN CONSULAR PACKAGE SUBMITTED MAY 9, 1975.

(109) REQUIRED FY-1978: ONE MORE FSL POSITION.

## 8. SCHEDULE VII-FEDERAL BENEFITS, FRAUD, ETC:

BUREAU: ARA

COUNTRY AND POST: VENEZUELA, CARACAS

A. FEDERAL BENEFITS ACTIVITY:

NUMBER OF SSA REIMBURSED:

AMERICAN: 0; LOCAL: 0

HOURS WORKED BY OCCUPANTS OF THESE POSITIONS ON WORK OTHER  
THEN FEDERAL BENEFITS:  
AMERICAN: 0; LOCAL: 0.  
HOURS WORKED BY REGULAR (NON-REIMBURSED) CONSULAR EMPLOYEES  
ON FEDERAL BENEFITS:  
AMERICAN: 25; LOCAL: 900.

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3243

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ESTIMATED INCREASE OVER FIVE YEARS AGO: 50 PERCENT  
ESTIMATED INCREASE DURING NEXT FIVE YEARS: 1 OFFICER; 2 FSL'S.  
B. FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS:  
OUTSIDE INVESTIGATIONS (CHECK ONE):  
(1) NOT DONE.  
(2) DONE BY SY.  
(3) DONE BY CONSULAR SECTION (CHECK).  
(A) SPECIAL FRAUD UNIT OR  
(B) REGUALR PERSONNEL (CHECKED).  
IF DONE BY CONSULAR UNIT, MANHOURS FOR:  
AMERICAN: 160; LOCAL: 400.  
VISA APPLICATIONS: 447; RATE OF INCREASE: 50PERCENT.  
PPT APPLICATIONS: 0; RATE OF INCREASE 0PERCENT  
DONE FOR INS: 150; RATE OF INCREASE 20PERCENT.  
C. MISSION INTEREST CASES-DOES POST HAVE FORMAL REFERRAL SYSTEM:  
NO. HOW ARE MISSION INTEREST CASES USUALLY HANDLED? BY  
CONSULAR OFFICERS INDIVIDUALLY.  
D. NUMBER OF AMERICAN CITIZENS IN JAIL:  
AS OF 3/31/76: 2; RATE OF DECREASE: 33-1/3PERENT.  
(A) IS EMBASSY NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY WHEN U.S. CITIZENS  
ARRESTED? POST USUALLY LEARNS OF ARREST CASES PROMPTLY, BUT  
IN CASES OCCURRING OUTSIDE OF CARACAS A PERIOD OF UP TO 48

HOURS MAY ELAPSE.

(B) DESCRIBE ANY PROTECTION PROBLEMS: POST HAS NO SERIOUS PROTECTION PROBLEMS.

(C) DESCRIBE POST'S PROTECTION PROGRAM, INCLUDING VISITATION AND MAN-HOURS USED, IN ARREST CASES: OFFICER VISITS PRISONERS APPROXIMATELY EVERY TWO WEEKS BEFORE SENTENCING  
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AND ONCE EVERY SIX TO EIGHT WEEKS AFTER SENTENCING ACCORDING TO PROSONERS' WISHES. APPROXIMATELY 120 MAN-HOURS USED DURING FY-1975.

9. COMMENTS:

A. TOURISM TO THE UNITED STATES CONTINUED TO RISE. NIV ISSUANCE FROM OCTOBER 1, 1975, THROUGH APRIL 30, 1976, WAS 28,838, AN INCREASE OF 33.5PERCENT OVER THE 21,602 VISAS ISSUED FROM OCTOBER 1, 1974, THROUGH APRIL 30, 1975. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT DURING THIS BICENTENNIAL YEAR VISA ISSUANCE WILL CONTINUE AT THIS SAME RATE OF INCREASE OR MAY EVEN SHOW A GREATER INCREASE OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR WHEN THE SUMMER RUSH SEASON BEGINS. NOTARIAL SERVICES WERE ALSO AT AN ALL-TIME HIGH DURING FY-1975, 25,090, ABOUT THREE TIMES THE WORKLOAD OF PREVIOUS YEARS. THIS WAS DUE TO THE VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAM OF SENDING STUDENTS TO STUDY IN THE UNITED STATES, WHICH REQUIRED THEM TO HAVE THEIR TRANSCRIPTS, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFIED TRANSLATIONS THEREOF NOTARIZED. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THESE SERVICES WILL TAPER OFF SOMEWHAT IN COMING YEARS.

B. ALTHOUGH NO LARGE INCREASE IN IV'S ISSUED AND REFUSED IN ANTICIPATED, AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF MAN-HOURS WORKED IS ESTIMATED, LARGELY ON THE PART OF THE LOCAL EMPLOYEES. THE WORKLOAD HAS SHIFTED DRAMATICALLY FROM IN-DISTRICT TO FORMER RESIDENTS OF VENEZUELA WHO ARE NOW RESIDING IN THE UNITED STATES. THIS SITUATION HAS GENERATED A TREMENDOUS INCREASE IN CORRESPONDENCE. NEARLY HALF OF ALL CASES ISSUED OR REFUSED ARE NOW OUT-OF-DISTRICT. ALSO REFLECTED IN ESTIMATED MAH-HOURS WORKED ARE BOTH AN INCREASING NUMBER OF FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS (MARRIAGES AND LABOR CIERTIFICATIONS) AND THE TIME SPENT ON REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS REFUSED, WHICH HAVE ALSO RISEN. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT NERALLY 10 PERCENT OF THE MAN-HOURS WORKED ARE DEVOTED TO A REVIEW OF REGISTRATIONS WHICH ULTIMATELY ARE REFUSED.

C. AS THE DEPARTMENT HAS AUTHORIZED ONE ADDITIONAL OFFICER AND ONE LOCAL EMPLOYEE, THE EMBASSY WILL BE BETTER ABLE TO COPE WITH THE WORKLOAD INCREASES.

D. SINCE OCTOBER 1, 1975, THE CONSULAR SECTION HAS BEEN ROTATING ONE JUNIOR OFFICER OUT OF THE NIV UNIT FOR THREE  
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MONTHS AT A TIME. THE OFFICER SPENDS ABOUT THREE HOURS PER DAY IN THE IMMIGRANT VISA AND NOTARIALS UNIT IN THE MORNINGS AND THE BALANCE OF THE DAY IN THE PASSPORT AND CITIZENSHIP AND WELFARE AND PROTECTION UNIT. THIS ACCOUNTS FOR THE INCREASE IN MAN-HOURS SHOWN UNDER THESE FUNCTIONS. THIS, OF COURSE, GIVES THEM A BREAK FROM THE CONSTANT PRESSURES ON THE VISA LINE AND BROADENS THEIR EXPERIENCE IN OTHER CONSULAR FUNCTIONS. THE PROGRAM MAY HAVE TO BE CURTAILED DURING THE SUMMER RUSH. SINCE DECEMBER 1975, THREE LOCAL EMPLOYEES IN THE NIV UNIT HAVE RESIGNED.

IN ADDITION, TWO OTHER EMPLOYEES WERE ON PROLONGED SICK LEAVE. THE POST IS STILL ATTEMPTING TO FILL TWO VACANCIES.

E. IT SHOULD ALSO BE POINTED OUT THAT THE CONSULAR SECTION IS STAFFED WITH FOUR FIRST-TOUR JUNIOR OFFICERS AND ONE SECOND-TOUR JUNIOR OFFICER. CONSEQUENTLY, THE RATE OF PRODUCTIVITY IS MUCH LOWER PER MAH-HOUR, INASMUCH AS THEY ARE ALL BEING TRAINED AND ARE LEARNING THEIR JOBS. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE POST'S CENTRAL COMPLEMENT ROTATIONAL OFFICER, WHO RECENTLY ARRIVED, WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE NIV UNIT FOR FOUR OR FIVE MONTHS BEGINNING IN JUNE.

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